

PATENT APPLICATION/PCT
Attorney Docket No. 1852-020369

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
Takashi OHSAKI : CARBON FIBROUS MATERIALS,
Fumio KAWAMURA : APPARATUS FOR PRODUCTION
: OF CARBON FIBROUS MATERIALS,
International Application : PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF CARBON
No. PCT/JP00/05964 : FIBROUS MATERIALS, AND DEVICE FOR
: PREVENTING THE DEPOSITION OF
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please delete the section heading "Title of the Invention".

On page 1, after the title, but before the section heading "Field of the Invention", insert:

"BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION"